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(PATENT)

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD FOR FERMENTATION AND  
CULTIVATION, FERMENTED PLANT  
EXTRACT, FERMENTED PLANT EXTRACT  
POWDER, AND COMPOSITION  
CONTAINING THE EXTRACT OF  
FERMENTED PLANT

Examiner: Q. Mi

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2008, finally rejecting Claims 12-14, 16-22, 26-29 and 33-38, enclosed herewith is a one month Extension of Time and a RCE, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.